SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Yes, Sir, I am here.

MR. CHAIRMAN: You must be complemented.

Violation of MRTP act by an aluminium company

*296. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any action has been taken by Government against B.A.N.C.O. (Aluminium Company Limited) for violation of the MRTP Act;

(b) whether the company has so far been violating the MRTP Act in spite of a Notice of Inquiry; and

(c) if so, what further action Government propose to take against this company and if not what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) On a complaint received on 22-12-1978, against Messrs Banco Aluminum Limited Vadodara, alleging that they were violating the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, an enquiry was instituted by the Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission on 3-7-1980 under Section 10 (a) (iv) of Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act, 1969. On conclusion of this enquiry, the Commission arrived at the finding that M|s. Banco Aluminium Limited were not guilty of any restrictive trade practice, as defined under Section 2(o) of the said Act.

(b) No other complaint regarding the violation of Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Act. 1969 by M|s. BANCO Aluminium Limited has since been received by Monopolies and Restrictive Trade Practices Commission.

(c) Does not arise.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS

Improvement in telecommunication service

*284. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of TELECOMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether with a view to improving the telecommunication service in the country, Government have a proposal to connect all the District Headquarters to the State capitals by at least one reliable media like the Ultra High Frequency system (UHF)| Microwave coaxial|satellite during the 7th plan period;

(b) if so, what are the details of the cost involved in this regard;

(c) whether Government also propose to digitalize the Telecom. Net work in the country and whether it is apart of action being taken to improve the tele-communication service; and

(d) if so what are the details of the action proposed in this regard during 1985-86?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Yes, Sir. This programme had been started in 6th Five Year Plan and is expected to be completed during the 7th Plan.

(b) The total allocation for the transmission media in the 7th Plan is approximately Rs. 900 crores. This includes the cost of connecting all District Headquarters to State Capitals.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) During 1985-86, the first year of the 7th plan, it is proposed to commission 71000 lines of Digital Local Exchanges and 100 Kms. of digital microwave systems.

Setting up of a Unit for cine colour film and Polyester X-Ray film

*285. SHRI L. GANESAN:

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to refer to the answers to Star-

red Question 373 and Unstarred Question 2238 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 19th August, 1985 and state:

(a) whether Government have since taken any final decision on the setting up of a Unit for integrated production of cine colour positive film and colour paper and manufacture of polyester X-ray film; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHEMICALS AND PETRO-CHEMICALS (SHRI R. K. JAICHANDRA SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Thermal and Hydro Projects of West Bengal

*287. SHRIMATI KANAK MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact tat five Thermal and Hydro power generation projects proposed to be undertaken by the Government of West Bengal are still under consideration of the Central Government;

(b) if so, what are the details of the projects which are yet to get the sanction of the Centre; and

(c) what are the reasons for so much time being taken by the Central Government to arrive at a decision?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) to (c) Only two thermal power projects of West Bengal are under consideration. Out of these, the Bakreswar Project of 630 MW has been cleared by the Central Electricity Authority and is awaiting an investment decision from the Planning Commission. The second project, relating to installation of a 210 MW unit by Durgapur Projects Limited, is under techno-economic appraisal of the Central Electricity Authority.

Temporary telephone connections in Calcutta

*289. SHRI BIR BHADRA PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of applicants for temporary telephone connections within the area of the Area Manager (South) Calcutta Telephones, Calcutta have not been provided with telephones even after getting work orders during the last two months;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what action Government propose to take to ensure that temporary telephone connections for which the applicants have already made deposits of the necessary amounts and have secured work orders, are provided without any further delay?

THE MINISTEER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) Temporary telephone connections to 14 applicants out of 34 cases for which work orders, are provided without any further phones were issued during the months of October and November, 1985 could not yet be provided.

(b) These connections could not be provided due to paucity of cabel pairs.

(c) The cable pairs are being built up and the telephone connectjons are expected to be provided within a month.

मारुति उद्योग द्वारा मशीनिंग लाइनों का आयात

291. **श्री कैलाश पति मिश्र:** क्या **उद्योग मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि मारुति वाहन इंजनों के सिलेन्डर ब्लाक और सिलेन्डर हैड के लिये दो मशीनिंग लाइनों की सप्लाई के मामले में जापानी तथा भारतीय प्रतियोगियों (हिन्दुस्तान मशीन टूल्स) के बीच हुई प्रतिद्वन्दिता में भारत सरकार ने मारुति उद्योग को ये लाइनें